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SOOTHING AS A FINE ART.

EVIDENTLY valorizing coffee and soothing a panic have at least one thing in common: You do either—if you know how—with somebody else's money. If it looks like your own so much the better—and nobler.

Counsel Undermyer, for the Pujo Committee, after examining George B. Cortelyou and a representative of J. P. Morgan & Co., declared:

"The evidence is conclusive that it was not the philanthropic Mr. Morgan but the Treasury of the United States that came to the rescue (in 1907) of the panic-stricken gamblers of the stock market."

The \$25,000,000 that Mr. Morgan so nobly and generously scattered among the frantic brokers was not the money of J. P. Morgan & Co. at all, but money of the United States deposited that same day with the national banks by Mr. Cortelyou, then Secretary of the Treasury.

But somehow much grater in one respect to soothe than to valorize!

When you valorize coffee or what-not you use money that a lot of people have put into the banks as savings. You may be using the savings of a good many, but still you can't flatter yourself that you've got everybody into the game.

Whereas, when you soothe a panic you take the wherewithal out of the funds of the Treasury of the United States. These funds certainly belong to all citizens of the nation. So, if you are a first-rate soother like Mr. Morgan, you have the proud feeling that you are doing all the soothing right out of the pockets of the whole country, leaving nobody out, and using everybody's money share and share alike.

Oh, heights of finance!

SOME SIGNIFICANT STATISTICS.

TO THE Richmond (Va.) Times-Dispatch we owe exhaustive facts and figures of a terrific fly-swating contest which the great South is watching as one man. The contest is open to white and colored on equal terms. So far the whites are running away with it. Out of a grand total of 2,446,472 killed, counted and credited, the fourteen leaders of the whites have slain more than twice as many as the leading colored fourteen.

When it comes to single scores the Boy Scouts (number uncertain) are in the lead with 314,822. But their lead is a precarious one. The real honors of the struggle so far go to a single individual female who is a close second.

What shall we say, indeed, of Sarah Johnson (white), who alone and unaided has slaughtered 313,780 flies! The nearest single competitor of the masculine sex hasn't done a third as well! The highest colored score is only 90,000.

It is perhaps too soon to draw serious conclusions from this contest. The final results must be weighed and analyzed with patient care. But do not the data thus far accumulated already indicate the inevitably pre-eminent powers and endurance of that race which approaches more nearly to indigence, and also the unquestionable superiority in all conceivable respects according to the female of our species?

WHILE we are shuddering at the awful things some of our public men are saying to each other it is real nice to know that a British lord said to a strike leader "I shall certainly horsewhip you for a mischievous scoundrel who ought to be shot!" And that the strike leader answered right back: "Bring your whip. I'll take your size into account and will depend upon nature's weapons. Come along, if you are not a scoundrel, dear Lord Devonport!"

We're not so very American.

THAT seven-year-old girl who ran away thirty-two times because, as she frankly put the case, home was dull and she had a longing to be where she could see the cars, go to moving picture shows and hear music, will start a leap of sympathy in many an older, soberer breast. To how many hearts does the spring bring visions of the gay, unfamiliar spaces of the world? Little girls of seven with this complaint have to be watched and perhaps locked up. Older folks with the same feeling either jump on steamers or try to forget it in work.

THOUGH it takes squads of "strong-arm" police, numberless "two-bit" men and three sergeants-at-arms for each delegate, though floors run blood and steel girders bend like straws; though battle, murder and sudden death have to be invoked—one thing is going to be jammed into the heart of that Chicago Convention, and that is—Peace!

Letters From the People

Hail to the Commuter's Life!

To the Editor of The Evening World:

I have read two or three letters explaining why the average commuter is not a fat man. I can give the best reason. Because he lives a normal, healthy, peaceful life and is in good health. Excessive fat is a disease. And few commuters are afflicted with any serious disease. They go to bed early and they rise early. They do not sleep in rooms that open on ill-smelling, noisy streets, but in the silence and fresh air of the country. They do not loaf around saloons, but spend their daylight time, when at home, working in their gardens. They eat fresh vegetables, get outdoor exercise, live in a nice, healthy way. Why should they not eat and stay fat?

Ice Water Tanks Empty.

To the Editor of The Evening World:

At the end of each railroad car is an ice water receptacle. No glass for the law forbids it. And since the law forbids the ice water tank empty, or else only partly filled and with almost tepid water. I have noticed this on several trains, notably some of those on the N. Y. & W. branch of the Erie. In hot weather this dearth of ice water means torture to many passengers. The law forbids a glass, let passengers carry paper cups. But what do these avail when the ice water tank is empty or holds only stale, lukewarm water?

V. EPPENGLANDER, JR.

Monday.

To the Editor of The Evening World:

On what day of the week did you die, 1895, fall?

V. N. H.

To the Front!

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By Robert Edgren



The Jarr Family



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"WELL, you're ready at last, are you?" snarled Mr. Jarr, as his wife came down the stairs leisurely putting on her gloves.

"You can wait till I dress, can't you?" asked Mrs. Jarr, giving a nod of chilly welcome to the Jarrs, who stood waiting to go automobile with the loving pair.

Mrs. Jarr thought to smooth over matters by greeting Mrs. Jarr very effusively and telling her how well she looked.

"It being so fat she waddles in looking well, she looks well," interposed Mr. Jarr.

"It isn't blast any way!" cried Mrs. Jarr shrilly. "And I haven't a red nose, thank goodness!"

Mr. Jarr did have a red nose. He threw open the door and commenced to swear. He swore impersonally, so that the Jarrs could share it with Mrs. Jarr if they desired. But seemingly he was swearing because the chauffeur wasn't in front of the house with the motor car.

"What's the use of your making a show of yourself like that? The chauffeur would have been here if you had telephoned around to the garage," said Mrs. Jarr.

"I thought you had telephoned for him. But I might have known you'd forget you had a head on your shoulders, although it was right in your own view, as you were admiring your grace and beauty in the glass. Wonder the glass didn't crack!" retorted friend husband.

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For Once the Jarrs Are Almost Glad They Aren't Millionaires

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"Then I'll not go!" said Mrs. Jarr, starting to back out of the car, but getting caught in the door.

"Go ahead, Buck!" cried Mr. Jarr, although he must have known Mrs. Jarr would get a broken leg if the car moved an inch.

Mrs. Jarr, who was determined not to be done out of her automobile ride, for she couldn't very well go if her hostess was sent to the hospital at the start off, grabbed Mrs. Jarr and tugged her into the tonneau, with a little scream.

Mrs. Jarr was blushing mad, not at Mr. Jarr, but at Mr. Jarr.

"He wouldn't care if I were killed!" she exclaimed. "It's the last time I ever go out with him. But," here her voice grew low, for she was addressing her husband, "do me one favor. If we are stopped by a policeman for speeding, as we were last time, don't start to swear at the officer and tell him what political influence you have and that you'll get him dismissed from the force. For if you do I'll save you from a clubbing as I did the last time!"

"It's a fine machine," said Mr. Jarr, in hopes of changing the subject.

"It ought to be," growled Mr. Jarr, "it cost me \$20,000. And the upkeep, counting everything, is about a hundred dollars a week, and I hardly get any good out of it. What's the use of having a sixty-horse-power six-cylinder car if it's run like a heater?"

"How easy it rides!" said Mrs. Jarr (and just then the car struck a series of holes in the asphalt, "Wn-wh-ers are we go-g-going?"

"Do you want to break every spring on the car, you bonhead?" cried Mr. Jarr to the chauffeur.

Then, as the driver slackened down, he added:

"Why don't you let her out on this smooth stretch? You drive a car like an old woman knitting a sock! We're going out on Long Island."

This last was to Mrs. Jarr in answer to her question.

"No, we are not. I hate crossing the bridge and having to go through the tenement districts!" interposed Mrs. Jarr.

Then she called to the driver: "Go through the Park! Do you hear?"

"You won't do anything of the kind!" bawled Mr. Jarr to the man.

"Don't you want to go through the Park?" asked Mrs. Jarr of Mr. Jarr.

Appealing, as woman to woman, Mrs. Jarr nudged Mrs. Jarr to bear her out.

"Oh, really, I don't like to say," said Mrs. Jarr, "but it must be nice through the Park."

"You want to go out on Long Island, don't you?" asked Mr. Jarr of Mrs. Jarr.

"Why?" said Mrs. Jarr. "It's such a pleasant trip, and so enjoyable, that I don't care where we go."

He didn't, either.

But while the fight was going on, the driver suddenly drove up Broadway and never went near either the Park or Long Island. He had an engagement of his own out on the Boston Post road.

Love Songs of Bachelor Girl.

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The "Sweet Old-Fashioned Man."

REMEMBER, I remember
The men I used to know—
The men who came a-courting
In the days of long ago!

They talked of love and poetry
Instead of motor cars,
And strolled along the beach with me
To muse upon the stars.

I remember, I remember
The men I used to meet
In the days when love and chivalry
Were not quite obsolete.

They never let a lady stand,
Nor called a girl "a skirt,"
They sometimes loved to kiss and fondle
And weren't AFRAID to flirt!

I remember, I remember
The men I once adored!
They never talked about themselves;
They never acted bored!

But as we drove beneath the moon
In gasoline-less carriages,
They chatted soulfully of "art"
And "love" and—even MARRIAGE!

I remember, I remember
The men I used to love!
They did not go to dances
Just to stand against the wall.

They never hung around in groups
Till supper time and posed,
But clamored for our waltzes—
Yes, and SOMETIMES they proposed!

I remember, I remember
The men I used to love!
With sweet pretenses of sentiment
They'd beg a rose or glove.

And, oh, the things they used to say!
The tender notes they wrote!
Ah, me! Were men like that today
I should not care to vote!

I remember, I remember
The men I used to know—
The men who came a-courting
Just a few short years ago!

Oh, the "sweet old-fashioned woman"
Had a SNAP, my gentle Anna,
For she got her inspiration
From the "sweet old-fashioned" man!

How to Add Ten Years to Your Life

By J. A. Husik, M. D.

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TO PROLONG LIFE, AVOID OVERWORK.

OVERWORK is prolonged and continued exercise of one's faculties, mental or physical, or both, without intermission for rest. Just as a normal amount of work is absolutely essential for the full and complete development of a person's innate powers, so an excess of application to the same kind of routine work is a sure and certain way to fatigue, exhaust and dull those same powers.

Overwork, long continued, poisons the system, undermines and deteriorates the different organs of the body, leads to a weakened condition of the defensive properties of the blood against infection and, in consequence, to diseases and to the shortening of life.

A normal amount of work tends to an even distribution of blood to all parts of the body, while overwork results in an excessive supply of the vital fluid to one particular organ or group of organs in the body at the expense of the rest of it.

During the process of working certain poisons accumulate in the blood which the excretory organs of the system are capable of discarding and throwing off. But when work becomes excessive the amount of deleterious material thus accumulated cannot be promptly thrown off. These in the course of time lead to changes in the structure of the vital organs, accompanied by faulty functioning, with consequent disease and death.

To remain in good health, therefore, and to add ten years to your life, all means avoid excessive labor, whether physical or mental. However, seek to do conscientious, honest work. The more you like your work, the better for the welfare of both body and mind. The proper amount of work under hygienic, healthful conditions is the best of stimulants and leads to good health and long life.

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